

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page [ ], line [ ], with the following rewritten paragraph beginning at line 12, page 1:

The use of positive pressure respirators to treat sleep apnea is known, as taught by Hansen et al, U. S. Patent No. 6,516,802, which discloses a device to control a hose in a CPAP, continuous positive airway pressure, system.